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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 25, 1998,  
Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the following  
amendments and remarks.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-43 without prejudice to future  
prosecution and add the following new claims.

44. (New) A method of cleaving a target RNA molecule  
comprising the step of providing said target RNA molecule with a

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